Financial system for agricultural Sector

4305. SHRI JIBON ROY : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the growth in Agriculture sector has gone down considerably during the last two years;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the full Budget estimated funds were not released in this sector during the same period; and

(c) if so, what action is being taken or is proposed to be taken by the Ministry to improve the financial system, for the support of agricultural sector?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK) : (a) The production of Agriculture and allied sector shows a long term upward trend, albeit with fluctuations. The Gross Value Addition (GVA) in the sector during last two years alongwith annual growth rate is given below :

Year	GVA in Agriculture & Allied Sector (Rs. in crores at 1993-94 prices)	Growth Rate
1998-99	288401	7.1
1999-2000	290334	0.7

(b) The details of Budget Estimate, Revised Estimate and Actual Expenditure in respect of Department of Agriculture and Cooperation, Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Indian Council of Agricultural Research and Department of Food Processing Industries for the last two years are given in the Statement enclosed *(See* below).

(c) With a view to providing greater flexibility and speedy utilisation of funds, a macro Management scheme "Supplementation/Complementation of States Effort's through Work Plan" by integrating 27 ongoing Centrally Sponsored Schemes implemented by Department of Agriculture and Cooperation, was launched in October, 2000. The Scheme will not only help in increasing the production and productivity of crops, but also improve the funds utilization position. In addition, regular monitoring is undertaken to ensure timely utilisation of funds.

Statement

Details of Budgets for the last two years

Department	Year	Budget Estimate			Revised Estimate			Actual Expenditure		
		Paln	Non-plan	Total	Plan	Non-plan	Total	Plan	Non-plan	Total
Department of Agriculture and Cooperation	1999-2000	1956.00	4580.85	6536.85	1492.00	4585.84	6077.84	1471.90	4579.12	6051.02
	2000-2001	1965.00	4190.97	6155.97	1692.00	4447.81	6139.81	1666.07*	4441.81*	6107.88*
Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying	1999-2000	381.90	106.89	488.79	225.00	200.88	425.88	207.30	197.81	405.11
	2000-2001	300.00	111.50	411.50	230.00	158.72	388.72	213.40*	155.37*	368.77*
Indian Council of Agricultural Research	1999-2000	573.00	608.79	1181.79	503.50	794.38	1297.88	503.50	794.38	1297.88
	2000-2001	628.95	.765.29	1394.24	549.50	760.73	1310.23	549.50*	760.73*	1310.23*
Department of Food Processing Industries	1999-2000	47.00	4.66	51.66	40.00	4.46	44.46	34.89	5.50	40.39
	2000-2001	50.00	5.00	55.00	50.00	15.70	65.70	50.00*	14.86*	64.86*

*Provisional